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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

KENDIR ET AL.

Examiner

Marc E. Norman

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 30 September 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 36-81 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 44-58 and 67-81 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 36,38-42,59 and 61-65 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 27,43,60 and 66 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 24 June 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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| 3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 36, 38-40, 59, and 61-63 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Sussholz et al.

As per claims 36 and 59, Sussholz et al. discloses a firearm laser training system comprising sensing device (detection camera 22) producing scanned images (step 190), and processor 20 determining pixel density values (see for example column 11, line 63), and detecting pixel density values exceeding a threshold (step 200).

As per claims 38 and 61, Sussholz et al. discloses identifying a group of pixels exceeding the threshold (step 210).

As per claims 39 and 62, Sussholz et al. discloses determining the pixel positioned at the center of the group (step 220).

As per claims 40 and 63, Sussholz et al. discloses determining the coordinates of the pixel representing the impact location (step 230).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

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The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 41, 42, 64, and 65 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sussholz et al. in view of Koresawa et al.

As per claims 41, 42, 64, and 65, Sussholz et al. does not specifically discuss a scoring system or the use of indicia to indicate impact locations. However, both of these concepts are old and well known in the art of firearm training. Koresawa et al., for example, teaches a target practice system including scoring and marking of impact locations (column 2, lines 39-42; column 3, lines 1-6; column 6, lines 29-34; etc.). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to apply these scoring and location indicating features of Koresawa et al. to the system of Sussholz et al. for the purpose of analyzing and indicating the accuracy of the shooter.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 37, 43, 60, and 66 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Marc E. Norman whose telephone number is 703-305-2711 until 18 November 2004, and then will be 571-272-4812. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Fri., 8:00-5:30, with first Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Denise Esquivel can be reached on 703-308-2597. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Marc Norman', with a stylized flourish at the end.

**MARC NORMAN
PRIMARY EXAMINER**